

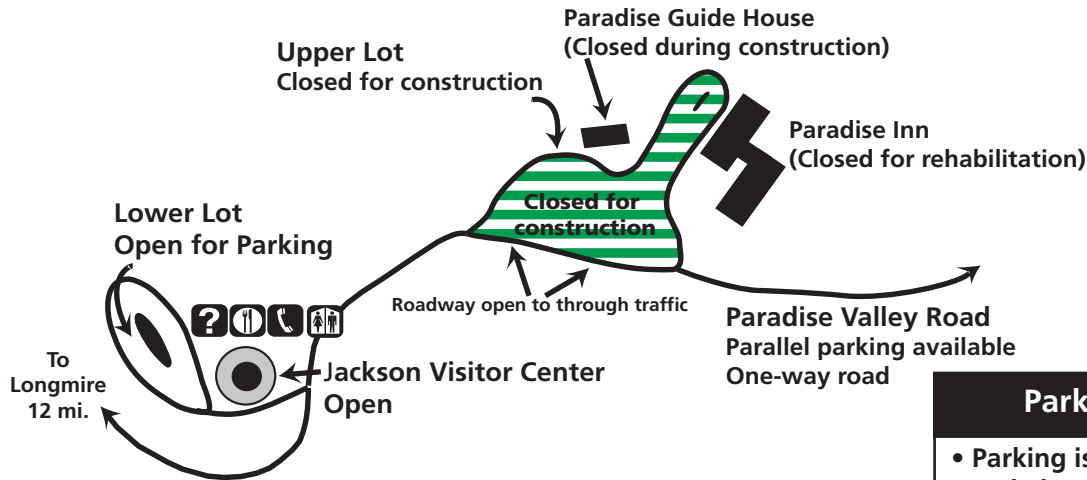


Mount Rainier National Park

Paradise Construction Project



Paradise Parking Guide



Construction efforts have significantly reduced parking in the immediate Paradise area.

Be prepared to park along the Paradise Valley Road and walk back up to Paradise. Visitor drop off is available in the lower parking lot. The park is working to implement a shuttle system later this month. Thank you for your patience during construction.

Parking & Facility Status

- Parking is available in the lower lot and along the Paradise Valley Road.
- The upper parking lot is closed.
- The Jackson Visitor Center is open.
- RV's and large vehicles park on the Paradise Valley Road.
- Paradise Inn and the Guide House are closed. Obtain climbing permits at the Jackson Visitor Center.
- Buses drop off passengers at the visitor center and park on the Paradise Valley Road.

The Project

Construction efforts are up and running at Paradise this summer during rehabilitation of the Paradise Inn and construction of the new Henry M. Jackson Visitor Center. The current visitor center will remain open during construction and will continue to provide book & gift sales, dining at the Grill, nature walks and interpretive activities. Come on up to hike the meadows, climb the mountain (stop by the visitor center for climbing information and a climbing permit), or to enjoy the amazing wildflower meadows and the unbeatable backdrops of Mount Rainier and its glaciers and the Tatoosh Range.

Due to the construction projects parking will be congested and the area could be noisier than usual. *For an enjoyable visit please consider the following information prior to driving to Paradise:*

The best time to visit Paradise is on weekdays, early or late in the day.

If visiting on a weekend or holiday plan to arrive at Paradise by 9:00 a.m. or after 5:00 p.m. for the best parking opportunities.

Consider exploring other areas of the park or outside of the park during construction.

Construction Zone!

Ensure a safe visit by following traffic and pedestrian signs, using patience while driving in the heavily congested area, watching for

children and pedestrians, and staying out of construction zones.

Protecting Paradise

Help limit impacts and protect vegetation by parking only in designated parking spots, walking and hiking on roads and trails, and

waiting for shuttles in designated locations.



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